WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Mismanagement and Financial Irregularition to the Buckingham and Carnatic Mills, Madras

*405. SHRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether complaints have been received from the Madras Labour Union alleging mismanagement and financial irregularities by the Buckingham and Carnatic Mills, Madras; and

(b) if so, what steps Government have taken to safeguard the amounts advanced to the Mills by the public financial institutions?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI KHURSHID ALAM KHAN): (a) As per the records, no such complaints from the Madras Labour Union have been received by the Government, since the re-opening of the Mills in November-December, 1984.

(b) Out of the Nine Directors on the Board of Directors of M/s. Binny Ltd., six (including the whole time Director Finance are nominees of Banks, Financial Institutions, to safeguard their interests.

Employees State Insurance Scheme

*406. DR. SHANTI G. PATEL: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) when was the Employees' State Insurance Scheme last reviewed;

(b) what were the recommendations of the review Committee; and

(c) what action has been taken by Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI T. ANJIAH): (a) The working of the Employees' State Insurance Scheme was last reviewed during 1981-82.

(b) and (c) A statement is laid on the Table of the Rajya Sabha.

Statement

(b) A summary of conclusions and recommendation of the Committee will be placed on the Table of the House.

(c) The report of the Committee was placed before the E.S.I. Corporation at its meeting held on 18.2.1983 for consideration. The Corporation generally endorced the various recommendations of the Committee. The Committee had, in all made 130 conclusion/recommendations. These recommendations can be broadly classified into following three categories:

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Modi Textile Mills, Modinagar

*408. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the textile unit of Modi Mills at Modinagar has been lying closed for more than a year;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) what steps Government have taken to reopen the unit?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI KHURSHID ALAM KHAN): (a) The following three subsidiary companies of M/s. Modi Spinning and Weaving Mills, Modinagar, are closed from the dates men-